

Dear Boston City Council,

As the owner of a secondhand shop here in the city, the concept of recycling is a basic premise of my business.

When I opened my store 7 months ago, I decided I would not buy any plastic bags. They are wasteful and harmful to the environment. For Boston to be considered an evolved, world class city, other retail businesses need to make this change as well.

Going forward, I am happy to charge my customers for a recyclable paper bag, although many of them bring their own reusable ones already. Passing this ordinance will teach shoppers to plan ahead, or pay.

Reducing plastic bags is one important step we can take to protect our planet. Now is the time!

Thank you,

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